

Priority: Safety
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

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Executive Summary

Adult Field Services misdemeanor supervision supervises over 1,000 probationers who have committed person to person crimes. Many of these offenders have mental health issues, and/or are chronic offenders. Misdemeanor Supervision uses evidence-based interventions to address crime-conducive issues, hold offenders accountable, and change their behavior. More than 75% of offenders do not re-offend within three years of their offense.

Program Description

Misdemeanor probation supervision protects the public by using evidence-based case management practices to hold offenders accountable and bring about long-term behavioral change. Probation officers work closely with the police, the courts, treatment providers, and other community partners. Probation Officers (POs) monitor the compliance of high and medium risk offenders with their supervision conditions, and apply proportional consequences (including jail or revocation) when necessary to help ensure community safety. PPOs require offenders to receive treatment and other behavior-change services that reduce drug and alcohol abuse and change antisocial attitudes and actions. Supervision includes: case planning and management; office and home visits; surveillance; sanctions for violations of supervision; referrals to treatment, where offenders alcohol and drug addiction issues are addressed and offenders commence the learning of new non-criminal skills. Supervision also includes PO support to victims and families.

Program Justification

This program uses evidence-based practices to hold misdemeanor offenders accountable and reduce their risk to re-offend. Research shows that this balanced approach between supervision, sanctions and behavior change services reduces re-offending, while incarceration alone actually increases re-offending (Andrews, 1994). Misdemeanor supervision is consistent with a "streams of offenders" model: currently DCJ only supervises person misdemeanor cases. Misdemeanor probation supervision is effective: nearly 75% of Multnomah County misdemeanor probationers do not re-offend within three years of their offense.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY05-06)	Current Year Purchased (FY06-07)	Current Year Estimate (FY06-07)	Next Year Offer (FY07-08)
Output	Average number of offenders supervised.	1,506	1,400	1,172	1,100
Outcome	Percent of probationers who did not recidivate.	0.0%	0.0%	76.5%	76.5%

Performance Measure - Description

Recidivism is measured by a three year felony conviction rate. Recidivism data reflect cohorts who entered supervision three years ago. DOC has discontinued reporting misdemeanor recidivism. DCJ R&E ran a sample of 500 misdemeanants to approximate recidivism for this group of offenders.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Although the supervision of misdemeanor cases is not funded by the state, functions are authorized under ORS 137 and 144, and OARs 291-065-0005 through 0007.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2007	2007	2008	2008
Personnel	\$2,979,387	\$0	\$2,047,234	\$0
Contracts	\$52,496	\$0	\$146,696	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$118,352	\$0	\$55,237	\$0
Internal Services	\$151,781	\$0	\$21,577	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$3,302,016	\$0	\$2,270,744	\$0
Administration	\$44,243	\$0	\$132,407	\$0
Program Support	\$339,893	\$69,622	\$381,407	\$71,067
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$384,136	\$69,622	\$513,814	\$71,067
Total GF/non-GF:	\$3,686,152	\$69,622	\$2,784,558	\$71,067
Program Total:	\$3,755,774		\$2,855,625	
Program FTE	16.50	0.00	23.50	0.00
Program Revenues				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$665,238	\$0	\$584,498	\$0
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$665,238	\$0	\$584,498	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

County general fund \$2,270,744, which includes \$584,498 jail assessment revenue from Multnomah County Circuit Court and deposited in the general fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50031, Adult Field Services - Misdemeanor Supervision

Reductions to the 2007 Misdemeanor Supervision program were re-balanced on a budget modification during FY 2007. The 2008 program offer represents the revised program.